

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: June 28, 2018 Item Number: 038

Police

Approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$120,831.41 in grant funding from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division to implement the Austin Police Department project entitled APD Violence Against Women Investigative Project.

Lead Department	Austin Police Department.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$120,831.41 is available from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, Violence Against Women Act Grant Program for the project period of October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019. A City funding match of \$49,353.67 is required and will be met by accounting for the salary of an existing City-funded sworn supervisor.
For More Information	Troy Gay, Assistant Chief, Austin Police Department / (512) 974-5030.

Additional Backup Information:

This action will provide the required resolution needed by the Criminal Justice Division to complete the award process related to \$120,831.41 in grant funding. The project period is October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019. A City funding match of \$49,353.67 is required and will be met by accounting for the salary of an existing City-funded sworn supervisor.

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funding will allow the City to hire two retired investigators (temporary status) for a one-year period to assist Sex Crimes and Child Abuse detectives with casework backlogs resulting from CODIS hits on sexual assault kits tested with funding from the New York District

Attorney's Office (DANY). State grant funding is also allocated for in- and out-of-state training for VAWA-scope investigators.

This is the first year of this project. The grantor requires a resolution approved by council that includes items one through four below.

- 1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to CJD that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
- 2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
- 3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update CJD should the official change during the grant period.); and
- 4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD.